

House Resolution No. 393

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those citizens who are actively involved in ensuring the safety and well-being of their neighbors through their illustrious endeavors in elective office at the county level of government; and

Whereas, Donald G. Cheever, J.D., graduated from Macon High School in 1961 as an all-state football, basketball, and track athlete who still holds some outstanding school records in track; studied business and played football at Central Missouri State University, where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Business Education in 1965 and a Master's degree in Business Administration in 1966; and taught at United Township High School in East Moline, Illinois, from 1966 to 1969 before entering the University of Missouri School of Law; and

Whereas, before graduating with a Juris Doctorate in 1972, Donald Cheever had the distinct honor of proving himself to be a serious student who participated in Missouri Law Review opportunities to write, edit, and publish legal articles; and

Whereas, in 1972 Donald Cheever established a domicile with his beloved wife, Linda, in Marshfield, Missouri, where he practiced law in partnership for one year, established his own private practice law office, and then enjoyed election to the office of Webster County Prosecuting Attorney, an endeavor which he maintained from 1975 to 2002; and

Whereas, the most important case in his twenty-eight years as Prosecutor occurred with his successful 1987 prosecution of Jim Schnick for the murder of seven members of the Schnick family in what was at the time the largest mass-murder case in the state of Missouri and the ninth largest in the nation; and

Whereas, Donald Cheever's forty-year-long marriage has been blessed with two children, Laura and Brian, and three grandchildren, Bethany, Caitlin, and Micah:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar career of attorney Donald Cheever and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of his impressive, twenty-eight-year-long record of achievements as prosecuting attorney for Webster County and our best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Donald G. Cheever, J.D., of Marshfield, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Michael L. Cunningham
District No. 145

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 393, adopted February 17, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker